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### NOTICE TO READERS

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## Editorial

Recently it has been brought to my attention that some proposals have been put forward regarding the development of a state range in Victoria. This has evolved from an original feasibility study conducted some time ago to which the government initially provided \$100K.

In Queensland, the Belmont Shooting Complex has become a very progressive state range with accommodation, administration and other facilities all situated on the site which is located approx 20 minutes from the Brisbane CBD. It is funded largely by revenue derived from its activity & it works in my opinion because of its central location and the fact that it is well frequented by both locals who can use it any day of the week & shooters in the state who can fly or drive in & stay on-site at relatively low cost.

In Sydney the Sydney International Shooting Centre (SISC) is over 1&1/2 hours from the city centre & whilst open daily, utilisation is fairly low with most metro based shooters continuing to use their own clubs. Major revenue is derived from "events" such as Australia Cups, World Cups, etc. I believe the SISC costs in excess of \$1M to run annually and it is my understanding that the state government funds much of this cost.

In Victoria, the proposed sites are all more than 2 hours from the city. So whilst the idea of a state range is very attractive, there seem to be a number

of practical questions that haven't yet been addressed, and in my view to move forward without any answers to these questions would be folly - we will end up with an SISC style white elephant.

These questions include such basic ideas as:

- who is going to fund it?
- who will use it?
- what will it cost?
- who will manage it?

and so on...

It seems to me that a state range that the majority of the Victorian population need to drive for 2 or more hours to reach is unlikely to be used by that majority except for special events. Realistically, a state range of this type seems destined to be a white elephant.

The most disturbing aspect of this proposal however, is the secrecy around it. Although discussion has been going on for two or more years, to my knowledge there has been little or no communication with the clubs & virtually no communication with shooters about the plan. Even our VAPA Council have indicated little communication has been received by them. Certainly little if anything has appeared in any of the shooting magazines to which I subscribe.

This magazine will endeavour to keep shooters updated on progress regarding this proposal.

# Letters to the Editor

To: VAPA President c/- Editor VPN

It is of great concern that I hear of rumours regarding the proposed State Range Development. These include that the Department of Sport plan to:

- develop an "All Disciplines State Shooting Centre" complete with armoury and thereby take away your right to hold your own guns at home;
- force the closure of all clubs within 4 hours travel of the newly proposed State Shooting Centre; and
- increase the cost of shooting to cover the maintenance and operating costs of the new centre.
- that this planning was based on 0.5% yearly increase in participation in shooting sports and not based upon a shortfall of facilities except for VRA full-bore rifle shooting needs for a 1200 yard range.

Why is it that ordinary members have not been kept apprised of the project development that:

- has been 2 years in the making;
- had representatives of all disciplines involved; and
- may have been presented to the Minister for Sport mid December 2009

Although I have written to the VAPA secretary regarding this matter, I was informed that no reports to VAPA had been made. A full and candid response circulated to all clubs & included in the next VPN to allay fears or confirm them for my club members will be appreciated.

Peter Kelly  
President  
MISC

## Melbourne International Shooting Club

### 55th Anniversary Shoot

22nd & 23rd May 2010

#### Saturday

Centre Fire / 25m Pistol  
50m Pistol & 50m Pistol Final  
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#### Sunday

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## Vale Steve Deller - 13/9/64 - 6/12/09

Steve Deller joined MISC in 2000 after being out of the sport for a number of years. Members quickly found out that Steve had been a young pistol shooting champion with plenty of potential to go all the way to the Olympics.

Many people may not remember that Steve was a very good Junior shooter. Joining Melton Pistol Club in the late 1970's, Steve first represented Victoria at the 1980 Nationals held in Darwin in Junior Match as it was called back then. His last appearance as a Junior was 1983.

Steve was National Champion in Junior Match in 1981, 1982 & 1983, and in Junior Air 1980, 1981 & 1982. He was also Victorian Champion in Junior Match in 1982 & 83. Steve represented Victoria in the junior team in sport pistol from 1980 to 1983 and in Junior Air in 1982.

After a break of 20 years, Steve was back in the Victorian Team in 2003, shooting Free Pistol and Air Pistol. Steve, along with Bruce Quick and Daniel Repacholi formed a dynasty that "owned" the Free Pistol Teams event at the Nationals, putting together a five year winning streak from 2003 to 2007. The same team also won the Air Pistol event in 2004, 2005 & 2006.

Steve's best shot at a National Championship was cruelly denied him in 2004. After the qualification round of Free Pistol, Steve held a massive five

point lead. He had to catch a flight to Europe to attend a World Cup and was unable to take his place in the final, ultimately finishing 6th.

Steve was unfortunate in a way to be shooting at the same time as Daniel. On many occasions it was Daniel, National Champion, Steve second. During this period, Steve also represented Australia on many occasions.

At his club, Steve's demeanor never ventured far from that of an elite athlete but one thing with Steve, he always had time for others. Whether you were a plinker or someone trying to be a serious shooter, Steve would always be ready to offer advice.

How often can people in other sports say they get as close to elite sports people as we do in our truly wonderful sport of pistol shooting?

Steve was passionate about pistol shooting and introduced his three daughters to sport. One could tell how they idolized their father and enjoyed the close bond they shared.

Steve won a quota place for Australia for the Beijing Olympics when he finished second in the Air Pistol event at Oceania in late 2007. At this event he was also a member of the team that set the current Oceania Record for Men's Air Pistol.

As a result of this and other performances during 2007, Steve was successful in being nominated for the Olympic Shadow Team and it was whilst

*undergoing the medical as a shadow team member he found out about his virulent form of cancer. Despite this, the ever courageous Steve only had eyes for London 2012 and how he would beat this dreaded disease. He had way too many goals to achieve - he wanted the Olympics, he wanted to watch his daughters grow, ride his motorbike and one other goal - to finish his beloved GT.*

*Steve's commitment and dedication to Victorian shooting is probably best summed up by the 2008 Nationals while Steve was undergoing treatment for his lymphoma. Knowing that Bruce Quick and Daniel Repacholi were unavailable for the Victorian Team, due to World Cup commitments, Steve made himself available for the Team. Steve anchored an inexperienced Free and Air team to a 3rd and 2nd place respectively, while individually he finished 6th in Free and 10th in Air.*

*Steve had the highest of faith in the Peter MacCallum Cancer hospital and all the doctors who fought to save him. In the end his battle was lost but he had many friends who will remember him. The overflowing chapel at his funeral in Melbourne is evidence of the regard in which Steve was held by his peers, colleagues and friends. His life was shortened by this unforgiving illness but his impact on our sport will be remembered.*



### **Career Highlights**

*Member Victorian Free & Air Pistol Teams 2003 to 2008*

*Nationals 2nd Free 2006 & 2007*

*Holds 50M Pistol Club Championship record of 555 for Free Pistol at MISC.*

*Member Australian Team 2005 Commonwealth Shooting Federation Championships.*

*Finished in National Top Ten in a number of events over several years.*

*Winner of quota place for Beijing in men's air pistol.*

*Multiple Australian Team representative.*

*Ed: Thanks to Neil Stewart, Lisa Leticq, Geoff Horton & Irene Charlton for contributions to this article.*

# Technical Talk-Googling 101

by Bert Smith

This is definitely NOT the complete word on using Google! Its intention is to help those who need some time-savings tips to search quickly, safely and accurately.

I spend a lot of time fixing troublesome computers. The cause of the problem is frequently what lies between the mouse and the seat. Unfortunately, many users of home computers are logged on as an administrator. A computer administrator is a computer God. If malware runs under an administrator account, it has complete access to the system. I cannot emphasise strongly enough the need to practice safe computing. Have you installed a competent anti-malware program? Is it up-to-date? Are the latest security patches installed for your operating system and Internet browser?

Although Google is my favourite search engine, I do use the relatively new Microsoft Bing, and am developing great respect for its capabilities. On my home computers, I have installed the free McAfee SiteAdvisor utility ([www.siteadvisor.com](http://www.siteadvisor.com)) in both Internet Explorer 8 and Firefox 3.5.5 that runs under Windows. Try entering a Google search for free gun screensavers (requested without quotation marks and not in italics) and you will get a display like that shown on page.....

Although helpful, the McAfee SiteAdvisor is NOT 100% accurate in detecting safe web sites, and can never achieve this. There are other free alternatives to the McAfee SiteAdvisor.



With Internet search engines such as Google, you get the results you request! Some years ago, I ran a course on using the Internet. A young woman wanted some information on “Big Bertha”, a legendary World War 1 cannon. I suggested that she type “Big Bertha cannon” (with quotes) into Google and then press Enter. She got some appropriate hits, BUT a few did not refer to the required WW1 cannon. (She had hits for a woman in Texas who carried a large revolver! I will leave it to your imagination as to this Big Bertha’s occupation. I can still hear the howls of laughter from the males who saw what was displayed on the young woman’s screen!) The

result was embarrassment for both the young woman and the instructor!

Now for the tips: In the following, I have put what is being searched for in italics.



1. Do not make your search too general! For example, if you search for "pistols and revolvers" you will get so many hits that you will never have the time to investigate each one!
2. With exceptions, every word placed in the search query matters. Two examples of exception are *a* and *for*. Adding + before a word, with no space between it and the word, disables synonyms.
3. Google search is case insensitive. Searching for Smith and Wesson is the same as searching for smith and wesson.
4. Double quotes "" around a set of words causes Google to find the exact words in the stated order without any changes.
5. With some exceptions, punctuation is generally ignored. One exception involves using the \$ sign. Searching for Hammerli 208 and Hammerli \$208 will lead to different results. Another example of an exception involves using the hyphen -.
6. Simplicity is important when searching. If you are searching for a manual for a Ruger Mark 1, type in "Ruger Mark 1"+manual.
7. Choose key words carefully and do not be verbose. Rather than keying in," how do I strip a Ruger Mark 1?" Try searching for "Ruger Mark 1"+disassembly.
8. To return hits only from (say) the Smith and Wesson factory web site, type in manuals site:www.smith-wesson.com.
9. As stated previously, by attaching a + sign immediately before a word (with no space after the + sign) Google will match that word exactly as it is written.
10. The use of the minus (-) sign immediately before a word indicates that you don't want web pages containing this word to appear in the results.
11. The asterisk \* is a wildcard. It only works on complete words and not parts of words. For example, searching for ISSF pistol \* in the \* Olympic Games will give you links involving anything about ISSF pistol in any Olympic Games.
12. The OR operator allows searching for either one or more words. The OR must be written in capitals. Searching for Hammerli 105 OR 106 will give results about either of these models Hammerli 105 106 will give you web links about both models.

Hope this helps!

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2. "Scatt is not always right": Do you use a Scatt for training? The SCATT Training System was created for the Russian National Shooting Team, with the participation of the coaches and top sportsmen. <http://tinyurl.com/ye4pk5f>
3. Recommended reading for pistol: "Ways of the Rifle": This book looks like it is a good read. <http://tinyurl.com/y9yrj6l>
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6. "Mental Preparation ": How should you prepare mentally? <http://tinyurl.com/yfzkfwf>

# Judge's Corner

by Peter Davis - National "A" Judge

This issue I am going to talk about safety. As we know to keep our sport viable the issue of safety is of paramount importance. The most common lapse of safety is the placing of pistols on the bench without the breach being open.

As per rule 6.2.2.4 page 179 in the 2009 edition of the ISSF rules reads "While the shooter is on the firing point, the gun must always be pointed in a safe direction. When not actually firing, all guns must be unloaded and the bolt or action must be open. The action, breech or loading device must not be closed until the gun is pointing down range in a safe direction toward the target/ butt stop area."

Also rule 6.2.27.2 page 179 reads: "During the competition the gun may be put down only after the cartridge(s) and/or magazine are removed and the action is open. Air and gas guns

must be made safe by opening and keeping open the cocking handle and/or loading port."

Range staff must also be a lot more vigilant on the range and be on the move up and down the range so that they can see what is happening not sitting back in a chair, only by walking up and down the range can you see what the competitors are doing. This goes for all events where practical including Air pistol and 50m pistol.

The other item I wish to bring to your attention is the casing of pistols. Rule 6.2.2.4.2 reads: "In the range when the gun is not on the firing point, it must always be in its case, unless otherwise authorised by the Range Officer."

This means that the pistol must be cased and uncased at the firing point not on the seat behind you.

## Upcoming Events

**Coaches:** Attention all would be coaches out there. In late April (after the Nationals), we will be holding a Club Coaching Course, which will include attending a one day seminar, some pre-reading plus three hours of coaching watched by a mentor. Once completed we will sign off for you to become a Club Coach and you can begin your coaching and perhaps move on to a Competition Coach (old level 2). If you are interested please send your details to me at [awattz@iinet.net.au](mailto:awattz@iinet.net.au) and when I set the date I will let you know.

**Juniors:** Remember that the Tri State will be held here at the Oakleigh pistol club this year if you would like to be a part of the team then let Paul Jenner or myself know; it's to be held the Queen's Birthday weekend in June 2010.

*Alan Wattz, Director of Coaching*

# Management Matters

By the time you read this page you will have had and enjoyed/suffered Christmas, and I hope you all a great time. A bit late for Christmas greetings but in time to wish you all a Happy, Prosperous and safe New Year

Welcome to our new members who joined in between VPN Publications. In this issue we will do a little catch up for 09.

Back on Saturday the 26th September I was invited to Beaconsfield Pistol Club to be part of the celebrations for their 50th Anniversary. The weather was wet but who cared, we need the rain and we were all inside the clubhouse. I saw the new works for the Air Pistol range and that will be a welcome addition to the club enabling them to extend the 25 metre range. The club's ladies provided an afternoon tea reminiscent of morning and afternoon teas that I experienced while playing sport in Gippsland, I often felt it was a plot to have the opposition gorge themselves on all the wonderful home cooked food and a wide variety as well, then go out and not be able to carry the weight of what we ate around. Thank you Beaconsfield for an excellent day.

The postals all have been completed and congratulations to all those who took part-we all couldn't win but we participated and that's the important message. Well done Sharon for a top class effort and it's a shame that you won't be there for 2011.

LSD sent a flyer out to all the clubs asking them to participate in a forum to drive home the message about attendances and other matters, in my opinion a flyer will not and does not take the place of the Firearms User Group, where we could act as an association for more strength. I have not had a lot of feedback but only 4 clubs I believe have replied and again I don't really think that LSD will listen individually to 4 clubs. That being so I still feel that we have to have the Firearms User Group.

Monday 23rd November I attended the Sports Awards at the MCC where Evan Whelan and what's his name (Alan Howard) from the Mountain District Pistol Club were presented with an award for their work and organizing effort to get their club up and running after the fires. This in my opinion was an excellent gesture from the Minister of Sport Mr James Merlino and the government.

A booklet detailing all winners and finalists can be downloaded at [www.sport.vic.gov.au](http://www.sport.vic.gov.au). In my opinion MDPC were stiff to miss out on 3rd place in the awards, but then with the assistance they received it would not be too much of a problem

Sadly I have been informed that Stephen Dellar had lost his battle with illness and passed away on the morning of the 6th December. Stephen will be missed by his club and many shooters both here and interstate.

There have been many attempts to try and collate a database on our membership for news and advice without having to wait for the VPN. A member from Yarra has provided a link or a site for you/us and clubs to contact and register so that we all can receive invitations for club opens and other information. As I mentioned before clubs can send details in and I have been advised that the site is safe and will be administered by one of our own shooters. There is nothing sinister about the plan as clubs that hold opens have a data base for shooters who attend their opens and it may be a good idea to have a central base for our addresses. If interested please contact John at [open\\_registration@ Austecsupport.com](mailto:open_registration@ Austecsupport.com)

Discussions between an interested member and Geoff Horton re the Asst Team managers position are ongoing and should be announced in the near future probably too late for this edition but long before the next edition of the VPN

I have been approached to report on the rumoured making of a shooting range probably deep in south eastern Victoria. Many members have heard the rumblings but as usual we, VAPA haven't anything to report, we received this week a temporary plan for all disciplines of shooting for perusal and comment, by all means not in the final stages. That is all to say at the moment.

Congratulations to all the selected members for the 2010 State teams.

GRR

## **Geelong Pistol Club 50th Anniversary Open**

20th/21st February

### **Saturday**

Centre Fire (Men)

25M Pistol (Women & Jnr)

Air Women & Jnr Women

Air Men & Jnr Men

Standard

### **Sunday**

50M Pistol

Rapid Fire

Air Men & Jnr Men

### **All entries by post to:**

GPC Inc

50th Anniversary Open

PO Box 1022

Geelong Vic 3220

### **Phone inquiries to:**

Eileen Pile 03 52781539

7.30pm to 10.00pm

### **Entries Close:**

28 January 2010

Late entries accepted at discretion of organisers.

# Getting Started at Competitions

*By Sharon Reynolds*

It does not matter what you shoot you will eventually find yourself involved in competition at some level. This could simply be a local club shoot or it might be representing your country at a World event in your chosen discipline. These days there are competitions at all levels and for all shooters. We can be proud of the fact that shooters with a disability are catered for as far as possible and members of all abilities have access to some level of competition. I recently came back from working at the World Masters Games in Sydney and it was inspiring to see older shooters, who may only be C or D grade, competing and enjoying themselves.

At the club level just about everyone gets involved – it is all a bit of fun and the camaraderie is the main attraction. At an international level it is all very serious and the shooters have had to train and qualify to get there – but there is still some camaraderie and even a bit of fun. In between there are the Postals, the Open competitions, the State level competitions, National championships and finally, at the elite level, the Australia Cups.

Australia Cups, which are for ISSF and ISCD shooters in both pistol and rifle, are quite a contrast to Open shoots. These days the emphasis at an ISSF Open competition is on minimizing the formalities and getting the competitors to assist as range staff once

they have shot their match for the day. At an Australia Cup the emphasis is on running the event as close to international standards as possible and letting the athletes concentrate on their shooting!

Australia Cups are conducted by AISL (Australian International Shooting Ltd), an organization largely funded by grants from the Sports Commission and with responsibility for international competitions coming under the Olympic and Commonwealth Games banner. Conducting the Australia Cup series is part of this responsibility but AISL relies heavily on volunteers from the club/state to assist. Once a host club has been appointed – and in Victoria this is usually MISC – a “local” is appointed to organize the shoot. This is mainly relating to preparation of the facilities and organization of the volunteers. The competition is ungraded and is usually open to everyone – entry forms are found on the AISL website and entries are handled by the AISL office.

No-one makes any money out of an Australia Cup and AISL is doing well if the competition breaks even. The host club is paid a range fee and the volunteers can expect to receive a light meal and tea/coffee. The competitors, while no doubt grateful that the range staff are there, are often so focused on their shooting that they appear to take it all for granted. In 2010 all the Australia Cups will be

held in Sydney, which as you may imagine is quite an impost on the local Sydney volunteer pool.

So, I hear you ask, why bother? Well, firstly Australia Cups are the primary selection events for overseas teams. In addition, the shooting disciplines need:

- to provide an opportunity for our elite athletes to achieve the required qualifying scores (PQS) for overseas travel & team inclusion;
- to be seen to be involved in international level competition of this type,
- to give those who have not yet had an opportunity to shoot overseas to get a feel for a higher level of competition

- to provide a chance for our Range Officers to hone their skills, etc.

Why volunteer to work at an Australia Cup? I am the wrong person to ask because I actually enjoy working at this level. Many don't as they can find it both daunting and, compared to an Open where they know most of the people, a bit too regimented. Yet if they persevere they will find that the volunteers generate their own camaraderie and can have quite a bit of fun too. Whether or not Victoria hosts an Australia Cup in 2011 will depend on whether a host club can be found and also whether enough volunteers can be persuaded to assist. I hope we do – why should Sydney have all the kudos?

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# News Snippets

*Our quarterly roundup of news & information from VAPA council & others*

## Judge Promotions

The Council extends congratulations to Michael Arden of Euroa Pistol Club on his appointment to National Judge 'B' in the Metallic Silhouette discipline.

## Safety Issues

Recently there have been some safety breaches reported. While these have all been relatively minor, and have been dealt with at the time, we remind all members of the need to be constantly vigilant. The safety rules are in place to protect everybody and the sport as a whole – they need to be constantly observed and enforced. A lackadaisical or “she’ll be right” attitude cannot be accepted.

## Pistol Australia Notes

Coach Accreditation ID cards have been distributed to Level 1 coaches (now to be known as “Club” Coach). Currently PA recognized Level 2 coaches (now to be known as “Competition” Coaches) ASC accreditation cards to follow.

## ISSF Director’s Report

Achieving Quota places has been reduced from three years to two years immediately prior to Olympic Games in ISSF sanctioned championships. This is liable to result in an increase in entries in both ISSF and ISCD Internationals conducted in Australia.

## Action Pistol

2010 World Action Pistol Champion-

ship will be conducted at Blacktown PC, The hosting of this event was sought by the club direct to the NRA of America without the sanction of PA. After lengthy discussion, a motion was put that “from 2011 PA does not field an International 1920 Match team to represent Australia at International competitions” the motion was put, and lost, on the basis of a tied vote, the status quo prevailed (Victoria abstained). Consequently, a further motion was put that “PA review their policy on fielding 1920 International team(s)” this motion was carried.

## ISSF World Cup

India has withdrawn from hosting the World Cup scheduled for March 2010. AISL has advised that the World Cup will be hosted by Australia, at SISC, during March 2010.

*Mountain District’s committee & members acknowledge and thank the following for their support and contributions:*

Rocla Pipeline Products  
Middendorp Electric Company Pty Ltd  
Burdens Plumbtec  
Septic Industries  
V & L Bourke Excavations  
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Outtrim & District Pistol Club  
Port Augusta Pistol Club  
Sale Pistol Club  
Warrigal Drouin Pistol Club

# 21st PA International 1920 ANC, Canberra

*By Geoff Horton, Team Manager*

The Victorian Team of Zeljko Cvetnic, Les Clark and Charles Kenner travelled to Canberra in November 2009 to contest the 21st PA International 1920 Nationals at the SSAA Range near Canberra. Due to personal reasons our lady team



Charles Kerner - top placed Victorian

member, Anita Mackiewicz, had to withdraw from the Team and competition just before the Nationals.

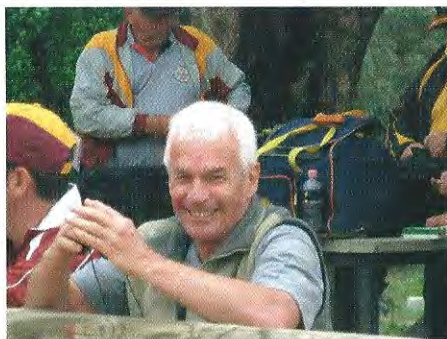
This range is a regular venue for National and several competitions during the year. The range consists of dedicated plates and mover ranges and a barricade/practical range. A number of other ranges for different disciplines make up a quite large complex.

Although weather forecasts did not look favourable before we left Melbourne, the weather for the duration of the Nationals was pleasant with a couple of days

reaching quite warm conditions once the sun broke through the clouds.

After a day or two of practice and getting used to the surrounds, it was into the first match of the Metallic Sight event, and the results of our Team and some other Victorian shooters who attended are listed below-

Placing	Name	Total	x's
4th	Charles Kerner	1849	114
5th	Zeljko Cvetnic	1839	113
13th	Richard Siebert	1818	101
17th	Mikhail Tretiakov	1802	101
20th	Les Clark	1795	99



Adrian Hunter

The NSW Team performed very well in this event and took off the National Title with 3,756 points and 253 X's, a little ahead of Victoria with 3,688 and 227 X's.

The Open Event was conducted over



Winning Victorian Team  
Les Clark (centre) with the shield

and two of our Team had to leave to catch flights home, and were absent when it was announced that Victoria had held on to take the Titles with a narrow margin of 5 points over W.A. Hence, Zeljko and Charles are not in the photo of the Teams presentation.

the next two days. Our Team member's results were not quite as good as they would have liked, however they were to get a surprise later.

Results in the Open event were:

Placing	Name	Total	x's
7th	Charles Kerner	1912	160
12th	Tom Whitehead	1906	146
13th	Les Clark	1904	166
15th	Zeljko Cvetnic	1903	162
20th	Richard Siebert	1900	151
22nd	Adrian Hunter	1896	149
23rd	Henry Dajczer	1894	150
35th	Les Moncrieff	1874	133
36th	Mikhail Tretiakov	1873	134

As the competition drew towards a close the scoring was a little slow being posted, so we went into the Presentation Lunch, not at all confident about the National title.

Presentations were a bit drawn out

Team's results were:

Victoria 5,719 with 488 X's,  
W.A. 5,714 with 441 X's and  
NSW 5,708 with 454 X's.



Zeljko & Les debating the finer points

I would like to thank the Team members for their efforts during the year, and their pleasing results at the Nationals.

# Mountain District Recovery Continues Apace

by Alan Howard

It has been almost 11 Months since the club was destroyed in the Black Saturday Bushfires.

There has been a lot of planning and meetings leading up to the start of our rebuild. Michael Dafnomilis who is Team Leader for Planning Services Dept, assisted us with planning and building permits. Council expediently approved our plans which enabled us to start the ball rolling by authorizing A Line Building Systems of Rowville



to commence the fabrication of the building.



Excavation work carried out by V & L Excavations

All excavation work is being done by V & L Bourke Excavations who are generously giving us a discounted price on all work to be carried out. Due to changes to building regulations additional

unforeseen drainage was required. A request for assistance was made to Rocla Pipeline Products of Campbellfield where the Regional Manager



Some of the pipes and headwall supplied by Rocla

David Allen promptly replied offering at no cost to the club 50 Metres of concrete drainage pipes,



David Allen Regional Manager Rocla Campbellfield

2 concrete headwalls and 2 concrete storm water pits with grates which were delivered to the club within days of our request. You can't get better service than that, and it has been a pleasure to deal with such a professional company. Footings and retaining wall foundations have been poured in readiness for the framing to be erected.

Unfortunately the septic tank was found to be damaged when the clean up was done by Grocon. Richard Vanderpol Senior Environmental

Health Officer from The Shire of Yarra Ranges inspected our site and advised us of the best solution for a new sep-



Far right Ross Mullens Manager of Burdens Plumtec Ringwood and staff

tic system. Richard was extremely helpful and professional in his advice. Our site was one of many that Richard would have had to inspect after the fires and he showed genuine com-



Second from R George Pargeter Branch Manager & staff at Middy's Bayswater

passion at such a difficult time for all. Purchase of septic tanks from Septech Industries of Bayswater were organised at a discounted price. The club was recommended to contact Anthony Thompson of Burdens Plumbtec of Ringwood with the suggestion of him being able to assist the club. Anthony

didn't hesitate in offering to supply at no cost to the club all the poly pipe necessary for the septic system and other plumbing requirements.

With the construction progressing electrical components needed to be sourced. Having dealt with Middendorp Electric Company Pty Ltd (Middys) in the past, they were the obvious choice to approach. In discussions with Anton Middendorp a generous offer of a \$1,000 credit to our account was given and all purchases to be charged at store cost. This is a fantastic offer. It has surprised us that so many companies that are not involved in shooting have given and are willing to help with such varied requests.

Please support the companies that are helping make Mountain District Pistol Club's rebuild possible. Their generosity has enabled us to rebuild quicker and greatly improve our shooting complex.

Our members are grateful for the offer of range use from Yarra PC and Diamond Valley PC to enable our members to participate in the sport.

The Committee of Management of Mountain District Pistol Club would like to acknowledge the amount of hard work done by the members and we appreciate their ongoing commitment to the rebuilding of our club.

Enquiries via email to [secretary@mountaindistrictpc.net](mailto:secretary@mountaindistrictpc.net)

# World Master's Games

*By Damien Morris, Member, Yarra Pistol Club*

My wife and I arrived in Sydney on Friday the 9th Oct and went straight to Cecil Park to drop off my guns and ammo at the Sydney International Shooting Centre (SISC). We decided to postpone accreditation as it was about 4:00PM - a good decision as we heard later that the line at Homebush was 500 metres long and 6 people wide. On Saturday morning when we collected our accreditation and the line was only about 50 metres long, and armed with all our documents and bags and with the

per hour to park. A quick reverse out! A turn here and a turn there and we are at "The Rocks" market where we find meter parking and we are only 2 minutes walk from Circular Quay. We enjoy a pleasant afternoon but driving back to the hotel is hell because of the traffic. We'll catch the train next time.

Sunday is practice day and on the way I end up in a lane that takes us off the freeway. After Maria and I finish shouting at each other as to why I am off the

freeway I just burst out laughing. It's either that or go mad. (The same thing happens to us 3 more times before the end of the week. You've just got to love Sydney's roads and signs.) We finally arrive at the range and meet up with Liz and Alex Ligeti, Irene and Bill Gobbett, and Geoff Horton, as well as others we have met at Opens over the years. I spent most of the morning at the air range then head off to the 25 metre range to try out the electronic targets. The word is that with the electronic targets you watch the red light not the green. When the red light goes off you can start shooting.

It sounds difficult but doesn't take long to get the hang of it. However, you start to get in your mind that the light is only on for the set amount of time and you don't get the advantage of hearing the targets turn. This makes you think you have less time and is inclined to make you shoot faster.

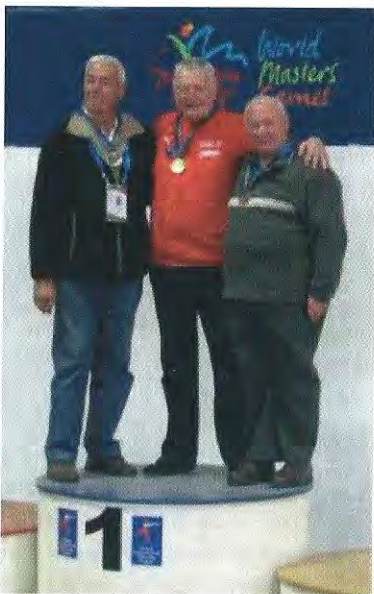
That evening at Homebush we head to our muster points for the Opening Ceremony parade. After 3 hours we finally start to move. It's probably another



L to R: Alex Ligeti, Liz Ligeti, Bill Gobbett, Irene Gobbett, Geoff Horton, Maria Morris, Damien Morris

rest of the day to ourselves we ventured out for a drive into the city centre.

Thankfully my brother had lent us his Sydways and we were off. Down Parramatta Rd then continue along George St until you reach Circular Quay. How come we're in Pitt St? Getting lost so we turn down any street that will allow us to enter. Maria says she'll pay for parking so just find a car park. We drive into one of the major car parks and the sign says it's \$24.00



Alex Ligeti with Bronze Medal

hour before we reach the second stadium. This is my first World Master's Games so I enjoy the atmosphere. Walking into the stadium I see myself on the big screen - hey I'm on TV! Once I am seated I call Maria we locate each other. I'm tired but she's enjoying herself so I let her decide when she wants to leave.

Monday is Free Pistol and some Air Pistol competition. I am not sqadded for this day so we enjoy a train trip to Circular Quay and trek the area. It's a great day in Sydney and to finish it off we cruise up the Harbour to a train station then catch the train back to our hotel.

Tuesday and the Air Pistol and Standard Gun events are on. I've woken up this morning and the thought of shooting air pistol first is sending the nerves through my body and I am almost hyper-ventilating. By the time I reach the range I am much better and shoot a respectable 528. Standard Gun is next and I shoot my usual bad score but with the added nerves it

drops to 428. It doesn't matter, I'm here for the fun and the experience I tell myself. The afternoon is ours and we head back to the hotel for some rest completely forgetting about the presentations. Geoff Horton got a bronze medal for Standard and Liz Ligeti has won a silver medal for Air Pistol.

Wednesday it's Sport Pistol precision in the morning and Centrefire precision in the afternoon. I've never shot Sport Pistol before and hadn't entered it but they rostered me into the comp anyway. All went well except for the final shot in precision. After 3 attempts without getting the shot off, I finally fire & hear just a click. I check the gun and the last cartridge hasn't chambered. In disgust I remove the cartridge and put the gun down on the bench. I am about to turn and sit down when I look at my stop watch. I have 21 seconds left. Unhurriedly I load the magazine again, raise the gun and squeeze the shot off for a respectable 9. That makes me happier. We now have about 6 hours before the next comp so we

head off to Katoomba in the Blue Mountains. The view at Echo Point is magnificent but the wind is severe gale force. We head off to Swiss Cottage for a delicious lunch.



Back at the range for Centrefire precision



Liz Ligeti - Silver in Air

sion and I am a little under par on this one. There are no presentations on this day so it's back to the hotel room again.

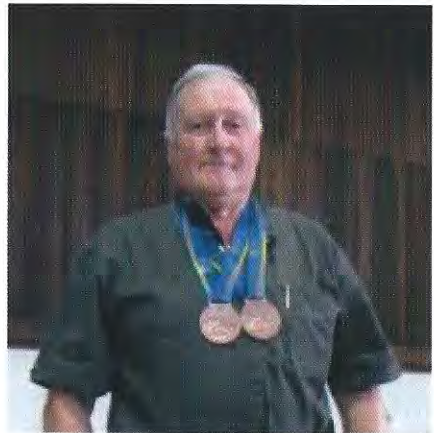
Thursday arrives and it is the second half of Sport (AM) and Centrefire (PM). The electronic target timing plays on our minds and with the nerves it causes me to stall on several of my first shots in each segment. Better luck next time. I end up with 493 for Sport but only 472 for Centrefire. Maria and I head off to the White-water Stadium between the morning and afternoon shoots and watch the Kayakers and Canoers go through their paces. At the presentations that afternoon, Geoff Horton collects Silver in 25m Pistol and bronze in Centrefire. Irene Gobbett wins a bronze medal for 25m Pistol. Poor young Alex is sitting there looking dejected when his name is called out. He is a bit overwhelmed with emotion as he makes his way to the podium to collect silver for Centrefire.

Friday is the last day for the pistol shooting and Rapid Fire is the only competition being shot. We all go through our paces and there is much laughter from me as

shots go everywhere. I don't shoot it well at the best of times but with the added nerves this makes for a funny shoot. I have 4 misses in the first half but only one in the second. I end up with 435, not bad at all in the end for such a big event for me. At the presentations I sit in my seat eagerly awaiting them to call my name. I haven't checked the scores and hope that I have made at least third, but it was not to be. With the calibre of the competitors I never expected to win a medal but there was always hope. Alex is called again for bronze in this event.

At the evening BBQ for all shooters we have a group of Canadians sitting at our table and spend the evening discussing firearms laws, wildlife laws, and vegemite - mostly vegemite.

Maria and I spend one more day in the city, this time at Manly and enjoy a fabulous seafood platter at Crystals in the Corso. It's a good thing I didn't eat this before shooting because it was huge. At the end



Geoff Horton - Bronze twice

of the day we roll back to our hotel and skip the evening meal as we prepare to re-



Damien crying - no medals this time.....

turn to Melbourne and contemplate a trip to the next Master's Games in Turin, Italy.

At the end of the competition, Alex asked me if I had learned anything. At the time I couldn't really answer him but I have given it a lot of thought. I have been pistol

shooting since 1979 but have only been a member of this club since 2002. Since joining Yarra I have learnt more than the previous 23 years. A lot of this has been due to my own apathy, but a lot has also been due to a lack of guidance and coaching at the other club. I believe that I now understand what it means to "lock your wrist". Most importantly I believe that I have learned that I have missed the boat. I have always been a shooter for fun. I enjoy it so much that I'd spend all day at the range if I could. Since joining Yarra I yearn for competition and my result at the World Master's Games has taught me an important lesson. I shoot rather well when I train, and it has taken me many years to control the nerves and fears I experience prior to a competition. The most important lesson I have learned is that I should have attended more high profile shoots like the State Titles and Nationals. I have prepared myself to shoot well, but I have not prepared myself to calm my nerves and as such I was overcome by the enormity of the event.

At the end of the day I would like to congratulate Liz, Irene, Geoff and Alex on their wins, and I highly recommend that anyone who gets the opportunity to participate in an event like this do so. I did manage to get my photo taken on the winner's podium. I stood on top then started crying and throwing a tantrum so my wife could take a photo. All in good fun.

Having just competed at our own Open my attitude during competition was different to what it been previously. I believe this is due to having competed at the Master's Games. I'm certainly glad I went.

# Handgun Metallic Silhouette in Victoria

*by Mick Arden – Euroa P.C*

Handgun Metallic Silhouette is a discipline that although not very well recognised in Victoria, is actually shot in one form or another by all those licensed pistol shooters that own over .38 calibre handguns. However a small group of shooters have been bitten by the bug of this longer range precision discipline and they now spend most of their time at the range trying to hit these metallic targets.

The majority of Victorian ranges were constructed for the old ISU now ISSF events. 50 yards was the norm and for that reason silhouette shooters are very limited in the ranges that are available to them. For those that have taken up this discipline there is also the additional cost of having to be members of both the state's pistol shooting associations (VAPA and SSAA) so they can use these available ranges and get the support required to set the foundations to enable this very versatile sport to develop.

Silhouette shooters are considered by some to be a bit of a pain. With ranges out to 200 metres for the Big Bore category, we are seen by some groups as taking up too much range space and inconveniencing others by reducing their ability to do things the way they're used to.

At ranges where there is limited room, all disciplines have to rely heavily on the committees that are voted in by the members to be fair and equitable when compiling range calendars so that all members get the best use of

the available range space. We have to remember that although there are only a small number that are dedicated to silhouette, there is a larger number that attend very few ranges to comply with the legal requirements of owning larger calibre handguns.

Now you don't always need 200 metres to shoot silhouette. There are five different categories with ranges from 18 metres for Air Pistol, 50 and 100 metres for Rimfire, 100 for field and 200 metres for Big Bore. There are also at least three different classes within each of the categories, so there is something for everybody to have a go at.

The dedicated few have progressed over the last three years from being 'C' and 'B' grade shooters to 'AAA' grade and recognised by VAPA as worthy of representing Victoria at interstate level. We have also managed to get members qualified as RO's in both the SSAA and VAPA, thanks mainly to one member (I won't mention your name James) who in a lot of cases without his dedication to the cause, Metallic Silhouette would not have the recognition that it has today with the state's shooting bodies.

So why not go out and find a range that is conducting a Metallic Silhouette competition and give it a go, you don't have to patch and it is very satisfying to hit a target out yonder that topples when hit. Contact James Moore on 0427-392-837 for more details.

# PA – Big Bore Metallic Silhouette Nationals 2009

by Mick Arden – Euroa P.C

The weekend of 18 -20 September 2009, saw the Pistol Australia Big Bore Nationals take place at the SSAA Belmont range just out of Brisbane. Three members from Victoria were there displaying the states colours and take on the other state's best.

The events being contested were Production, Revolver, Unlimited, Standing and Unlimited Half Size open sight. With all events being shot out to 200 metres the standing and half size matches present quite a challenge.

Queensland put on its usual sunny weather so the conditions were very bright and you could hear the comments throughout the day about being 3 to 4 clicks different in sight settings from their home ranges.

There was a 40 (the possible) shot by one member from NSW on day one in Revolver and that proved to be the best revolver score for the weekend, well done Geoff. There were about nine 40's shot in Unlimited which made for some very good shooting on Sunday afternoon as the battle to win the shoot-off's (half size targets at 200

metres) to secure a place in the top ten began.

Finishing in 4th place the Victorian team had a few flashes of brilliants with three grade breaks and three grade wins. We also managed to get a member in the top ten for revolver, so not a bad effort.

We have only been competing at state level for the last two years, so as a young team (with ageing members) we are developing. Remembering that there are only a few 200 metre ranges in Victoria so we all tend to travel interstate whenever possible (time and finances allowing) to draw on the skills of those other silhouette shooters that are at the top level and willing to pass on their knowledge.

State Scores	NSW	291
	ACT	285
	ACT	275
	VIC	242

Individual Victorian member's scores for the 4 match aggregate competition are shown below:

	4 Match Aggregate	Production	Revolver	Stand	Unltd
Mick Arden	130	39	32	23	36
James Moore	120	35	31	15	39
Les Parker	109	28	26	19	36

## Coaching Notes - Trigger Shoes

by Alan Wattz

The coaching council wish all VAPA members a Happy New Year. With the new year I'm sure all the members of our sport have the goal of improving their grade in their chosen discipline, which of course is wonderful and I'm sure some will and some won't. There will be those that will wonder why nothing has changed this time next year; well for some that I saw while on gun check at Yarra's open last year I think I can help! Trigger Shoes.....yes that piece of equipment that we place our finger on to pull the trigger! Some off the angles that I saw on gun check were to say the least amazing. In most cases the trigger would not lift the trigger weight and in a couple of cases the trigger where turned to such an angle as to be outside the trigger guard (which is against the rules).

The trigger shoe should be flat and vertical, so that when pressure is applied the trigger travels along the centre line of the barrel, when it reaches the trigger stop the pad of the trigger finger and the trigger shoe should be parallel. If the trigger shoe is on an angle then by applying pressure as we squeeze, the trigger is trying to move sideways so you must have a misalignment of the sights, also you are not applying pressure evenly over the shoe because of the angle it's on!

When I asked the reason for the angle of the shoes, most replies were that they need to do so, so that their finger was on the shoe. What they should do is work on the grip or have a grip maker work on the grip so that their trigger finger can reach the trigger in the CORRECT position, thereby allowing for the correct backward movement of the trigger to finish on the trigger stop.

## Sale Pistol Club Anzac 3 Day Shoot

April 24 - 26

### Saturday

Service Match  
Service 25

### Sunday

Service Unrestricted  
Service 25

### Monday

WA1500 Theme Day  
WA 1500 Primary Gun  
WA 1500 'Secondary Gun' Side  
Match American Handicap

### **All entries by post to:**

Organizing Secretary  
P/O Box 462  
Sale. Vic. 3853

or

[salepistolclub@gmail.com](mailto:salepistolclub@gmail.com)

### **Phone inquiries to:**

Joe Doherty 03 5146 0889

### **Entries Close:**

Friday 09th April 2010

Late entries accepted at discretion of organisers.

# International 1920 Match Team Selection Method

## PURPOSE:

To form a squad from which the State Team to compete at National Championships will be selected.

## THOSE ELIGIBLE TO NOMINATE:

**SENIORS:** All shooters of Master Grade or High Master Grade.

**JUNIORS:** All Juniors who will still be 20 years of age as at DECEMBER 31 in the year of the Championships.

## AUTOMATIC INCLUSIONS:

All current State Team Members are automatically included for their Team Event/s in next year's squad. If you wish to nominate for extra Events please complete the Nomination Form.

## NOMINATIONS:

Shooters wishing to nominate for the State Team complete and mail the nomination form to

Geoff Horton  
PO Box 36  
Bentleigh Vic 3204

Nominate for only the event/s in which you are currently qualified.

## INVITATIONS:

Any shooter who has not nominated, and has shot two or more scores that give the shooter a qualifying Mean Average in Sanctioned Open competitions, may apply to join the squad, or may be invited to join the squad by the Team Managers.

## SELECTION METHOD:

Shooters are required to compete in a minimum of four (4) Sanctioned Open Competitions. There is no limit to the number of such competitions and they may include interstate and overseas competitions. For a competition to be eligible there must be a minimum of a Judge "B" in attendance. In the event that there are less than six (6) Open Compe-

titions planned for a particular event closed elimination/s may be conducted.

It is the shooter's responsibility to ensure the Team Managers receive a full copy of the results (not just individual scores) within 28 days of the competition.

A final squad will be selected for each match at the conclusion on the elimination series. Ranking will be in order of Mean Average.

## SELECTION PERIOD:

The Selection Period will be from 2009 National Championships with the final event being the 2010 Victorian Championships.

## SELECTION AVERAGES:

To be eligible for selection shooters must maintain the following Mean Average (Average of all scores submitted, discarding the lowest).

Open	1885
Metallic Sight	1740
Ladies	1820
Junior	1820

In the event there are insufficient qualifiers in any particular match (event), meaning that a team is unable to be selected in that match, the Selection Sub Committee MAY select from those who have not fully qualified as follows:

- There must be at least one shooter to have qualified in that particular event.
- Other shooters to be considered must have a Mean Average of 99% of the Qualifying Mean Average.
- Shooters who have qualified in other matches may fill the position/s.

## SELECTION OF FINAL TEAM:

The final squad will be selected for each event will be required to compete in nominated competition/s to select the three Team Members and Reserve.

### **TEAM SELECTION SUB-COMMITTEE:**

There shall be a Team Selection Sub Committee.

The Sub-Committee will have discretionary powers when selecting the State Team.

The decision of the Sub-Committee shall be final.

### **REPLACEMENT OF TEAM MEMBERS:**

Once selected should any member of the Team be unable to attend the National Championships, his/her position will be filled or left vacant at the discretion of the Team Managers.

If, at the National Championships, it is considered that any Team Members may, in any way, jeopardize the chances of the Team, the Team Managers may replace that member.

Team members will at all times comply with the Team Managers' instructions relating to Team activities.

### **BENEFITS:**

VAPA will provide Team Members with:

- (a) Accommodation on a twin or triple share basis from up to 2 nights before the Team Members first Team competition, or from the commencement of Official Training (whichever is the later) until up to 2 nights after the conclusion of the Team Members final team competition or the conclusion of the Championships (whichever is the earlier);
- (b) Transport to the city of the Event, or the equivalent cash reimbursement. Should two or more Team Members travel in the same vehicle the cash reimbursement will be adjusted accordingly;
- (c) Transfers to the site of the Event, as appropriate;
- (d) Entry and nomination fees for team event/s;
- (e) Ticket to the Presentation Dinner should

Team Members attend;

- (f) An allowance of \$25.00 per day for the period accommodation is paid for by V.A.P.A., or the Team Members attendance at the Championships, whichever is the shorter; except that if the accommodation paid for by V.A.P.A. includes daily breakfast the allowance will be reduced to \$10.00 per day.
- (g) Other benefits as may be made available from time to time

### **GENERAL:**

Team members will be in attendance at the venue of the National Championships at least 24 hours prior to their first event/s - or earlier - so that each member can engage in at least one practice session of their event/s, and acclimatize to local conditions.

On completion of their competition events, members may depart the Team although it is hoped that members will remain to support and encourage other team members for remaining competitions at their own expense.

It is expected that all Team Members will stay at the accommodation arranged. Any member (with good reason) may apply to live elsewhere, but it is preferred the accommodation be close to the venue. If any such request is approved, and dependant on the style of accommodation, the member may be reimbursed up to the equivalent of the accommodation arranged by the V.A.P.A.

Spouse or family may accompany Team members at their own expense, but Team activities will at all times take precedence.

# NOMINATION FOR VICTORIAN STATE TEAM INTERNATIONAL 1920 MATCH

Return to: Geoff Horton.  
PO Box 36  
Bentleigh Vic 3204  
E-mail: malpeso@three.com.au

by 1st March 2010.

I wish to nominate for the Elimination Series to select the International 1920 Match State Team that will represent Victoria at the 2010 National Championships. I undertake to abide by the decision of the Team Selection Sub-Committee and, if selected, the conditions of the published State Team Selection Method.

Full Name:			
Address:			
		Post Code	
Postal Address			
		Post Code	
Telephone:	Home		Business
	Mobile		Fax
E-Mail:			
Club:			
Date of Birth:			
Class:	Grade	Highest Score Shot in Open Competition in the past 12 months	
Open:			
Metallic Sight:			
Ladies:			
Junior:			
Signature:			

# Victorian Top Ten-2009

Compiled by Neil Stewart

## COMPETITIONS INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE:

Outtrim Service & WA1500, Castlemaine ISSF, ACT Titles ISSF, Melton Service, Vic ISSF Championships, Echuca Int 1920, PA/ISSF Nationals, Sale Service, Warrnambool ISSF, M.I.S.C. ISSF, Mid Murray ISSF Service & Black Powder, Castlemaine Black Powder, Mildura Service, WA1500 & Black Powder, Geelong Int 1920, Melton ISSF. Vic Titles WA1500 & Service 25, Vic Titles Black Powder, Vic Titles Int 1920 Match, PA Int 1920 Match Nationals, Vic Titles Service., Vic Titles Service, Yarra Service, Yarra ISSF

### 50m Pistol

State Record 555

John Gillman (1976), Bruce Quick (1998)

1	Finken, Lucas	544	Nationals Apr
2	Roberts, Chris	541	Nationals Apr
3	Repacholi, Daniel	536	Nationals Apr
4	Moncrieff, Les	535	Mid Murray Jun
5	Mullens, Gary	535	M.I.S.C. May
6	Quick, Bruce	534	Nationals Apr
7	Davis, Wayne	528	Nationals Apr
8	Leyshan, Robert	520	W'Bool May
9	Boyle, Christian	519	Nationals Apr
10	Crouch, Emma	518	Mid Murray Jun
	Hall, Ben	518	Mid Murray Jun
	Sammartino, John	518	Mid Murray Jun

### Rapid Fire

State Record 564

Lucas Finken (2007)

1	Quick, Bruce	573	Nationals Apr
2	Finken, Lucas	567	M.I.S.C. May
3	Boyle, Christian	564	Nationals Apr
4	Repacholi, Daniel	555	Nationals Apr
5	Hall, Ben	547	Nationals Apr
6	Tretiakov, Mikhail	547	Nationals Apr
7	Moncrieff, Les	545	Mid Murray Jun
8	Telfer, David	544	Vic Titles Mar
9	Eagle, Grant	543	Yarra Nov
10	Boyle, Kevin	535	Vic Titles Mar

### 25m Centrefire

State Record 585

Bruce Quick (1996)

1	Hall, Ben	576	Mid Murray Jun
2	Quick, Bruce	575	Nationals Apr
3	Mullens, Gary	570	M.I.S.C. May
4	Roberts, Chris	569	Nationals Apr
5	Davis, Wayne	568	Mid Murray Jun
6	Moncrieff, Les	564	Mid Murray Jun
7	Tretiakov, Mikhail	560	Nationals Apr
8	Bowron, Peter	558	Mid Murray Jun
9	Smith, Ern	558	W'Bool May
10	Tomassini, Paul	558	Yarra Nov

### Standard Pistol

State Record 580

Bruce Quick (1999)

1	Roberts, Chris	567	Vic Titles Mar
2	Ryan, Linda	567	Nationals Apr
3	Quick, Bruce	566	Nationals Apr
4	Repacholi, Daniel	566	Nationals Apr
5	Finken, Lucas	559	M.I.S.C. May
6	Eagle, Grant	553	M.I.S.C. May
7	Mullens, Gary	553	Castlemaine Feb
8	Hall, Ben	552	Vic Titles Mar
9	Scougall, Andrew	549	Nationals Apr
10	Horton, Geoff	546	Yarra Nov

### 10 Metre Air Pistol Men

State Record 577

B Sandstrom (1999)

1	Repacholi, Daniel	579	Nationals Apr
2	Roberts, Chris	572	Castlemaine Feb
3	Quick, Bruce	569	Nationals Apr
4	Finken, Lucas	562	Nationals Apr
5	Boyle, Christian	561	Nationals Apr
6	Edwards, Norm	561	Vic Titles Mar
7	Hall, Ben	561	Vic Titles Mar
8	Leyshan, Robert	559	Vic Titles Mar
9	Moncrieff, Les	558	Mid Murray Jun
10	Tretiakov, Mikhail	557	Yarra Nov

### 10 Metre Air Pistol Women

State Record 387

Lalita Yauhlevskaya (2002)

1	Ryan, Linda	382	Vic Titles Mar
2	Gillman, Kristy	379	Castlemaine, Feb
3	Crouch, Emma	375	Mid Murray Jun
4	Bryant, Charlotte	370	Vic Titles Mar
5	Johnson, Kerrienne	368	Yarra Nov
6	Meredith, Greta	368	Nationals Apr
7	Leticq, Lisa	366	Yarra Nov
8	Gobbett, Irene	365	Yarra Nov
9	Wilson, Marlo	364	Nationals Apr
10	Austin, Marianne	363	Yarra Nov
	Charlton, Irene	363	Nationals Apr
	Woodward, Kathryn	363	Castlemaine, Feb

**25 Metre Pistol Women**

State Record 583

Linda Ryan (2001)

1	Ryan, Linda	575	Vic Titles Mar
2	Gillman, Kristy	571	Vic Titles Mar
3	Crouch, Emma	566	Mid Murray Jun
4	Austin, Marianne	563	M.I.S.C. May
5	Mullens, Joy	548	Vic Titles Mar
6	Charlton, Irene	547	Nationals Apr
7	Alexander, Ainsley	545	Melton Jul
8	Gobbett, Irene	541	Yarra Nov
9	Woodward, Kathryn	541	Nationals Apr
10	Koreny, Yvette	539	Castlemaine Feb

**10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Women**

State Record 385

Annemarie Forder (1998)

1	Galiabovitch, Elena	373	Vic Titles Mar
2	Wilson, Marlo	361	Yarra Nov
5	Johnson, Kerrienne	357	Yarra Nov
4	Mullens, Chelsea	355	Nationals Apr
5	Bennison, Caroline	349	Vic Titles Mar
6	Butterworth, Ashleigh	328	Castlemaine Feb
7	Payne, Alison	308	Castlemaine Feb
8	Dunlop, Erin	289	Vic Titles Mar
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**25 Metre Pistol Junior**

State Record 578

Andrew Gonczol (1990)

1	Mullens, Chelsea	552	Castlemaine Feb
2	Jackson, Nathan	547	Vic Titles Mar
3	Galiabovitch, Elena	543	Vic Titles Mar
4	Wilson, Marlo	533	Nationals Apr
5	Galiabovitch, Elena	528	M.I.S.C. May
6	Bennison, Caroline	511	Vic Titles Mar
7	Johnson, Kerrienne	509	Yarra Nov
8	Scougall, Douglas	508	Mid Murray Jun
9	Payne, Alison	499	Vic Titles Mar
10	Jenner, Steven	496	Yarra Nov

**Black Powder 25 Metre**

State Record 378

Noel Ryan (1980)

1	Sammartino, John	376	Peninsula Feb
2	Moncrieff, Les	371	Mildura Jul
3	Scougall, Andrew	368	Mildura Jul
4	Davis, Wayne	366	Peninsula Feb
5	Burgess, Grant	365	Vic Titles Oct
6	Horton, Geoff	363	Peninsula Feb
7	Smith, Ern	361	Peninsula Feb
8	Tretiakov, Mikhail	356	Mid Murray Jun
9	McCann, Justin	354	Vic Titles Oct
10	Dunbar, Stuart	350	Yarra Oct

**10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Men**

State Record 571

Daniel Repacholi (2000)

1	Janski, Janek	559	Yarra Nov
2	Jackson, Nathan	538	Vic Titles Mar
3	Scougall, Douglas	511	Vic Titles Mar
4	Jenner, Stephen	496	Yarra Nov
5	Foster, Brydon	492	Vic Titles Mar
6	King, Bradley	452	Yarra Nov
7	Lees, Ben	428	Yarra Nov
8	Janski, Joshua	406	M.I.S.C. May
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**Black Powder 50 Metre**

State Record 374

Dennis Martin (1998)

1	Sammartino, John	371	Mid Murray Jun
2	Davis, Wayne	369	Nationals Apr
3	Moncrieff., Les	361	Mid Murray Jun
4	Hastie, David	354	Yarra Oct
5	Smith, Ern	346	Vic Titles Oct
6	Scougall, Andrew	343	Peninsula Feb
7	Dunbar, Stuart	324	Peninsula Feb
8	Burgess, Grant	323	Vic Titles Oct
9	Horton, Geoff	317	Peninsula Feb
10	Tretiakov, Mikhail	316	Mid Murray Jun

**Records stay intact in 09**

In 2009, there were no new state records set by Victorian shooters. In fact if one examines the records shown in the scores above, it is only the Rapid Fire, Service, WA1500 & International Matches that have had records set in the last two years.

In the senior ranks of the other events, the last record set was Women's Air in 2002, and in the Junior events, we need to go back to 2000 for the men to see a junior record & 1998 for junior women. In fact many of the records were set around the time that substantial funding was available for

**Service Pistol**State Record 887  
Peter Muscat (1991)

1	Winterhalter, Chris	869	Outtrim Sep
2	Rehlicki, Ivan	868	Outtrim Feb
3	Chisholm, Jason	867	Sale Apr
4	Motton, Ralph	867	Vic Titles Nov
5	Hall, Andrew	866	Outtrim Sep
6	Clark, Les	864	Melton Feb
7	Wilkinson, Chris	856	Outtrim Sep
8	Jensen, Paul	854	Outtrim Feb
9	Doherty, Joe	849	Sale Apr
10	Anastasi, Ercole	842	Sale Apr

**WA 1500 Match**State Record 1486 96x  
Dean Brus (2008)

1	Motton, Ralph	1478	Vic Titles Sep
2	Winterhalter, Chris	1478	Vic Titles Sep
3	Clark, Les	1468	Vic Titles Sep
4	Chisholm, Jason	1464	Vic Titles Sep
5	Wilkinson, Chris	1463	Vic Titles Sep
6	Jensen, Paul	1461	Vic Titles Sep
7	Lowe, Greg	1458	Vic Titles Sep
8	Hall, Andrew	1452	Vic Titles Sep
9	Lewis, Andrew	1449	Vic Titles Sep
10	Scott, Peter	1449	Vic Titles Sep

**Service Unrestricted**State Record 886  
Peter Muscat (1989)

1	Winterhalter, Chris	886	Outtrim Feb
2	Chisholm, Jason	885	Nationals Apr
3	Hall, Andrew	879	Yarra Oct
4	Motton, Ralph	878	Outtrim Feb
5	Jensen, Paul	877	Vic Titles Nov
6	Wilkinson, Chris	877	Outtrim Feb
7	Clark, Les	876	Nationals Apr
8	Anastasi, Ercole	871	Vic Titles Nov
9	Lowe, Greg	869	Yarra Oct
10	Scott Peter	863	Vic Titles Nov

**International 1920 Match (Open)**State Record 1918/169x  
Zeljko Cvetnic 2008

1	Kerner, Charles	1918.157x	Geelong Jul
2	Cvetnic, Zeljko	1916.167x	Vic Titles Aug
3	Mackiewicz, Anita	1916.163x	Geelong Jul
4	Rehlicki Ivan	1914.167x	Vic Titles Aug
5	Tretiakov, Mikhail	1911.150x	Vic Titles Aug
6	Clark, Les	1910.161x	Echuca Mar
7	Siebert, Richard	1909.160x	Geelong Jul
8	Hardy, Brian	1907.155x	Geelong Jul
9	Bannister, Roy	1906.158x	Echuca Mar
10	Whitehead, Tom	1906.146x	Nationals Nov

**Service 25**State Record 630  
Chris Winterhalter (2007)

1	Chisholm, Jason	634	Outtrim Feb
2	Jensen, Paul	630	Outtrim Feb
3	Motton, Ralph	629	Outtrim Feb
4	Winterhalter, Chris	629	Outtrim Nov
5	Rehlicki, Ivan	628	Mildura Jul
6	Lowe, Greg	627	Vic Titles Sep
7	Clark, Les	623	Mildura Jul
8	Wilkinson, Chris	623	Outtrim Feb
9	Hall, Andrew	619	Vic Titles Sep
10	Scott, Peter	615	Outtrim Nov

**International 1920 Match (Metallic Sight)**State Record 1887/117x  
Zeljko Cvetnic 2008

1	Kerner, Charles	1892.123x	Geelong Jul
2	Rehlicki, Ivan	1890.118x	Vic Titles Aug
3	Cvetnic, Zeljko	1846.106x	Geelong Jul
4	Clark, Les	1824.102x	Geelong Jul
5	Siebert, Richard	1818.101x	Nationals Nov
6	Tretiakov, Mikhail	1802.101x	Nationals Nov
7	Whitehead, Tom	1748.101x	Echuca Mar
8	Hardy, Brian	1731.085x	Echuca Mar
9	Delic, Drago	1526.060x	Echuca Mar
10	Adams, Frank	1475.053x	Nationals Nov

athletes who represented Australia at the Sydney Olympics when an intensive coaching & training effort was in place.

Since then funding has been cut for shooting sports with a drop in performances across the board. How related the two are is open to debate

- no doubt other factors are involved.

Have your say in the next VPN...What do you think is causing the lack of progress & what would you change?

KF

## Development News

by Paul Jenner - Sport Development Officer

### Air Trailer

On the 9th & 10th of October 2009, the air trailer was on display at the



Wangaratta District Show and Sport Expo at Wangaratta show grounds. Friday was a bit quiet but Saturday was full on with lots of people trying the air pistols. We had nothing but positive feedback for our sport. I have included two pictures of one of our



“tries” from Saturday. Shooting clubs are still receiving enquiries now about shooting. I would like to thank Wayne and CharlieRoots, Jim Edlington who worked on the trailer.


### Working With Children Checks

It will be necessary for any person that has anything to do with juniors to have a working with children certificate. For our association it will be necessary for the checks to be done between 1 July 2009 and the 30th June 2010. For more information on this, logon to <http://www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren> of the Justice Departments Web site. There are several pages to be read. Forms are available from your local post office and the fee for volunteers is free.

### Junior Coaching

If any junior is seeking coaching, they can get in touch with me on 0427 359 198 or email [jenco@alphalink.com.au](mailto:jenco@alphalink.com.au) and I can direct them to their nearest coach. You can also get more information on coaching from Alan Wattz the Victorian Coaching Director on 0418 149 231. Please use this offer of coaching as it will help your shooting.

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<b>Club</b>		<b>Competition Date</b>	
<b>Entry Closing Date</b>		<b>Entry Fee</b>	

<b>NAME:</b>			
<b>ADDRESS:</b>			
			P/Code
Phone: (    )			
E-mail:			
Club:		Licence Number	

<b>Match</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Match</b>	<b>Grade</b>
25 Metre Standard Pistol		25 Metre Pistol Women	
25 Metre Rapid Fire Pistol		10 Metre Air Pistol Women	
50 Metre Pistol		25 Metre Pistol Junior	
25 Metre Centre Fire Pistol		10 Metre Air Pistol Jnr Men	
10 Metre Air Pistol Men		10 Metre Air Pistol Jnr Women	
Service Pistol		Service Unrestricted	
Service 25 Yards		WA1500	
Black Powder 25 Metre		Black Powder 50 Metre	

<b>Black Powder International</b>			
Modern Single Shot		Fixed Sight Revolver	
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<b>International 1920 Match</b>			
Open		Metallic Sight	
Veteran: Date of Birth		Junior: Date of Birth	

# Open Competition Contacts

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# Open Competition Calendar

Month	Date	Competition	Venue
Feb	6	WA1500, Service Unres, Service 25	Outtrim
	13-14	Black Powder	Peninsula
	20-21	ISSF (50th Anniversary)	Geelong
	27-28	Service	Melton
Mar	6-8	ISSF State Titles	Yarra
	27-31	PA/ISSF Nationals	Brisbane
Apr	1-4	PA/ISSF Nationals	Brisbane
	10-11	Int 1920	Echuca
	17-18	ISSF	Ballarat
	24-26	Service	Sale
May	1-2	ISSF	Warrnambool
	22-23	ISSF	MISC
June	12-14	ISSF, Black Powder & Service	mid-Murray
July	3-4	Black Powder	Castlemaine
Aug	21-22	International 1920 State Titles	
Sep	11-12	ISSF	Shepparton
	18-19	WA1500 & Service 25 State Titles	Outtrim
Oct	2-3	Service & Black Powder	Yarra
	9-10	ISSF	Melton
	16-17	Black Powder State Titles	
	26-30	International 1920 State Titles	Geelong
Nov	6-7	WA 1500 & Service	Ballarat
	20-21	Service & Unrestricted State Titles	Mildura
	27-28	ISSF	Yarra

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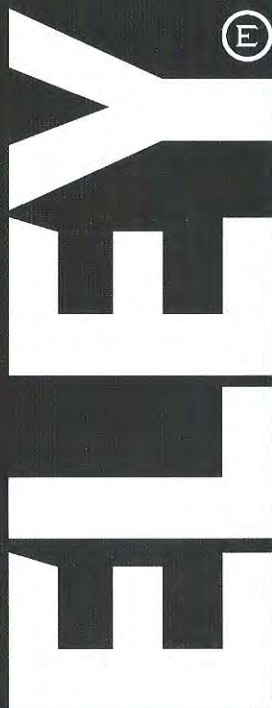
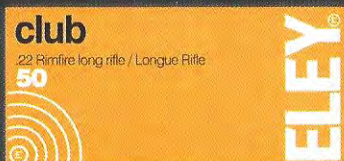
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